SCANDINAVIAN FESTIVAL ASSOCIATION OF SACRAMENTO BY-LAWS (as amended 04/15/2024)

AIMS AND PURPOSE:

- I. To establish and promote a Scandinavian Festival annually in Sacramento.
- II. To maintain a spirit of friendliness and cooperation between our Scandinavian organizations.
- III. To promote our Scandinavian cultural and ethnic heritages as a unit.

RULES AND GUIDELINES:

- I. The Festival Association shall consist of: (in national alphabetical order)
 - 1. Finland Finnish American Home Association
 - 2. Norway Daughters of Norway, Elise Waerenskihold, Lodge #48
 - 3. Norway Sons of Norway, Roald Amundsen, Lodge #48
 - 4. Sweden Vasa Order of America, Monitor Lodge #218
 - 5. Sweden Vasa Order of America, Sierra Kronan Lodge #737
- II. The Festival Association is a 501 c (8) non-profit organization and was assigned EIN 68-0114138 by the federal Internal Revenue Service.
- III. Any new Scandinavian organization in the greater Sacramento area may apply to become a member of the Association. Such organization shall have a minimum of 25 members to be eligible for membership.
- IV. Entrance shall be by majority vote of the existing organizations, with one vote per organization.
- V. The working body shall consist of volunteers from each member organization. In the event of lack of volunteers from an organization, that organization shall lose any share of the net receipts from that year of non-participation.
- VI. An organization needs food participation and recognized involvement to share in the net receipts.
- VII. In order for a new organization to participate in the net receipts, membership shall be required at least 6 months prior to the Festival.
- VIII. Net Receipts from the Festival shall be divided among the participating organizations, after an operating fund for the following year has been deducted.
- IX. The Association shall elect, after each Festival, the following Board officers and Assistants:
 - 1. Chairperson
 - 2. Vice Chairperson
 - 3. Secretary

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- 4. Assistant Secretary
- 5. Treasurer
- 6. Assistant Treasurer
- 7. Floor Manager
- 8. Assistant Floor Manager
- 9. Auditor
- X. The Executive Board shall consist of the officers and two (2) members from each organization. Their term of office shall be for one year or longer if they accept it.
- XI. Only one signature is required for contracts and will be signed by the Chairperson <u>after</u> approval of the contract by the Board. The Board may designate an alternate signatory on a case-by-case basis. Approvals will be noted in the Association's meeting minutes.
- XII. Only one signature is required for checks and will be signed by the Treasurer or alternate signatory <u>after</u> approval of the expense by the Board. Checking account signatories will be the Chairperson, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer and Secretary.
- XIII. An audit of the Association's financial records shall occur annually once all receipts are deposited and invoices paid, generally within a month of the after the conclusion of the festival.
- XIV. Should the Association vote to dissolve, all remaining monies and property will be distributed to qualified non-profit organizations as directed by a vote of the Association's executive committee (the elected officers and delegates) in accordance with the appropriate federal IRS and state regulations governing 501c(3) organizations.
- XV. These By-laws may be amended as needed by a majority vote of the participating organizations (one vote per organization).

By-Laws accepted by participating organizations members:

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| Finland (FAHA, Liisa Hale, President) | |
| Fore-Lise Miller | Date 6/10/24 |
| Norway (Sons) (Tove-Lise Miller, Chairperson) President | • |
| Linda M. Wheaton | Date 6/4/24 |
| Norway (Daughters) (Linda Wheaton, President) | |
| al formation | Date 5/19/2024 |
| Sweden (Monitor) (Chuck Johnson, Chairperson) | |
| Darin Precland | Date $S/22/24$ |
| Sweden (Sierra Kronan) (Darin Freeland, Chairperson) | ø. |

Amendments to these by-laws become effective as of the date of the last signatory

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